

PRESIDENT: Committee amendment number 17 is adopted. Move on to the next one, where the committee amendment number 18 shows. Senator Abboud, are you handling that?

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Mr. President. Mr. President, colleagues, the committee amendments on page 16 of the committee amendments, it deals with LB 637 that we adopted last year dealing with children and family bill. This particular section amends Supreme Court, Agency 5. It states strictly that intent language, intent language relating to identifying reallocated funds for services to families and children. As I stated, this amendment is strictly intent language. I urge the adoption of the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins, please.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to ask if Senator Abboud would yield to a question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Abboud, please.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Senator Abboud, as I look at the handout we have here it says, Supreme Court intent language relating to identifying reallocated funds for services to families and children. What is the intent?

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Abboud, would you respond, please?

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes. Senator Higgins, it's...the language goes towards the funding that will be provided as a result of the bill that we enacted last year, LB 637, and the portion that deals with the court system. It's where this money is going to go. Last year we allocated the money. This year we're stating in the appropriation to the Supreme Court, which is an agency under the court system, that...how that money should go as a result of the bill that we passed last year.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Senator, I confess I'm a little bit thick-headed this morning. Supreme Court, and then it says intent language relating to identifying reallocated funds for